(e) The Government have no reports to this effect.

Proposal for New Range of International Data Communication Services to consumers

163. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal from Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited to provide new range of international data communication services to its customers by putting up very small aperture terminals:

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it has been rejected by Telecom Commission; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited has submitted several proposals from parties proposing to use very small aperture satellite terminals (V-SATs) for

(i) both way communications,

(ii) reception purpose only.

(c) and (d) (i) At present both way communication of point to point link with another country is permitted provided the earth staton in India is maintained and operated by the National Telecommunication agencies;

(ii) 'Receive only' satellite terminals' are allowed subject to the issue of licence by the Government.

164. (Transferred to the 10th August, 1990)

Special Protection Groups for Missions in US and UK

165. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to post Special Protection Groups (SPG) to safeguard our Missions in US and Great Britain; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Medical Aid in Kashmir

166. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1521 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd May, 1990 and state:

(a) whether the report from the State Government has been received about the number of people who have died from 1st April, to 17th April, 1990 in the Valley of Kashmir particularly in Srinagar due to non-availability of medical aid and how many of them were pregnant women;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps are being taken to obtain the report at an early date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

काश्मीर से संयुक्त राष्ट्र संघ के प्रेक्षक को हटाया जाना

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(क) क्या सरकार ने कश्मीर से संयुक्त राष्ट्र संघ के प्रेक्षकों को हटाने की मांग के संबंध में आवश्यक कार्यवाही की है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?